## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

HEATHER NELSON,

Plaintiff,

v.

SANTANDER CONSUMER USA, INC., PATRICK K. WILLIS CO., INC., d/b/a/ AMERICAN RECOVERY SERVICE, and ASSETSBIZ CORP., d/b/a ABC RECOVERY,

Defendants,

SANTANDER CONSUMER USA, INC.,

Counter-Plaintiff,

v.

HEATHER NELSON,

Counter-Defendant.

Case No.: 11-cv-307

SUPPLEMENT TO PLAINTIFF'S PROPOSED JURY INSTRUCTIONS AND SPECIAL VERDICT

Since plaintiff filed her proposed jury instructions and special verdicts, she realized that two supplements are necessary to make her original filings accurately reflect the claims to be trial in this action. Plaintiff, Heather Nelson, proposes the Court give the following amended and supplemental jury instructions and amended special verdict.

## I. PLAINTIFF'S AMENDED JURY INSTRUCTION AND SPECIAL VERDICT REGARDING CIVIL THEFT

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Plaintiff's Amended Proposed Jury Instruction No. 38

Wis. Stat. §§ 895.446 and 943.20.

Civil Theft

Heather Nelson claims that Santander Consumer USA, Inc., American Recovery Service and AssetsBiz Corporation committed civil theft. To prove this claim against an individual defendant, Heather Nelson must prove the following by a preponderance of the credible evidence against that defendant:

The defendant intentionally took and carried away, or retained possession of movable property of another, without the other's consent and with intent to deprive the owner permanently of possession of such property.

If Heather Nelson proves that any of the defendants committed civil theft, she may recover actual damages and exemplary damages of not more than 3 times the amount of actual damages. No additional proof is required for an award of exemplary damages.

Wis. Stat. §§ 895.446 and 943.20.

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**Supplemental Proposed Verdict Question on Civil Theft Damages (All Defendants)** 

Plaintiff proposes that the following instruction and question be added as the third

question on the civil theft claim for all defendants.

[Instruction.] If you awarded damages to Heather Nelson for civil theft, you may award

up to 3 times that amount as exemplary damages.

[Question.] What amount do you award as exemplary damages?

Amount of Exemplary Damages: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Wis. Stat. § 895.446(3)

## II. PLAINTIFF'S SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIAL VERDICT REGARDING SUMMARY JUDGMENT DECISION ON ILLEGAL REPOSSESSION

Q.	Did Santander Consumer USA, Inc. repossess Heather Nelson's truck before
giving her a proper notice of right to cure default?	
	ANSWERED BY THE COURT:
	YES_X NO
Q.	What amount of money did Heather Nelson pay pursuant to the truck loan?

Amount: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Respectfully submitted,

Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013.

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